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AMENDMENT

Dear Sir or Madam:

In response to the Office action of August 27, 2002, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

In the claims:

Please cancel claim 6 without prejudice.

Please amend claim 7 as follows:

*a* *sub* *32* 7. (Amended) The therapeutic combination as recited in claim 1, said therapeutic combination further comprising a wound drape for sealing said porous pad within said sealable space.

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